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## **Research Objectives**

The overall objective of the research grant was to develop and apply advanced constitutive modeling and structural analysis capabilities for improved and rational designs of aerospace propulsion systems. The capabilities developed in the project were applied to perform deformation and life analyses on monolithic superalloys and advanced composite material systems

## **Accomplishments**

A number of numerical solution technologies involving the finite element method were developed. These technologies were incorporated into several advanced viscoplastic models. The technologies were applied to a wide spectrum of structural engineering problems involving extremes of thermal/mechanical loadings. The problems ranged from simple geometric forms such as cylinders and disks to those involving complex geometries such as the Space Shuttle Main Engine, a combustor liner, actively cooled engine inlets (cowl lips) and structures made of continuous fiber reinforced metal matrix composite materials. In several cases, the life analyses of the structural components were made and their cyclic lives assessed. Whenever possible, the predicted cyclic lives were compared with the observed cyclic lives of the components. The solution technologies developed in the project are being utilized by aerospace companies in the design of aerospace components.

Results of the research performed under the grant were presented at a number of scientific meetings and conferences and have resulted in numerous publications. The a list of these publications is provided in the following.

### **Presentations**

1. Presented a paper at the Structural Integrity and Durability of Reusable Space Propulsion Systems, Cleveland, USA, 1989.
2. Chaired a session and presented a paper at the International Symposium - PLASTICITY-89, Tsu, Japan, 1989.
3. Presented a paper at the International Conference on Computational Plasticity, Barcelona, Spain, 1989.
4. Presented a paper at the International Conference on Structural Testing, Analysis and Design, Bangalore, India, July, 1990.
5. Gave an invited paper and Chaired a session at the International Symposium PLASTICITY-91, Paris, France, 1991.
6. Presented an invited paper and Chaired a session at the 22nd Midwestern Mechanics Conference, Rolla, MO, USA, Oct. 1991.
7. Presented a paper at the Workshop on Computational Methods in Life Prediction. NASA-Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA, USA, 1992.
8. Presented a paper at the Third International Conference on Computational Plasticity, Barcelona, Spain, 1992.
9. Organized an International Symposium, Chaired a session and Presented a paper at ICES '92, Hong Kong, 1992.
10. Presented a paper, Chaired a session and Member of Panel Discussion Team at International Seminar on Inelastic analysis, Fracture and Life Prediction, Paris, France, August 1993.
11. Presented a paper at the 2nd EUROMECH conference, Genoa, ITALY, September, 1994.

## **LIST OF PUBLICATIONS**

### **Journals**

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14. Application of Finite-Element-Based Solution Technologies for Viscoplastic Structural Analyses. **NASA CR-185196, 1990.**
15. Finite Element Analysis of Structural Components Using Viscoplastic Models. **Proceedings of Second International Conference on Computational Plasticity, Barcelona, 1989.**
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18. Nonlinear Structural Analysis of Cylindrical Thrust Chambers Using Viscoplastic Models. **NASA CR-185253, 1990.**
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21. Reduction of Thermal Residual Stresses in Advanced Metallic Composites by Application of a Compensating/Compliant Layer Concept. **Proceedings of HITEMP Conference, Lewis Research Center, Cleveland, OHIO, USA, 1990.**
22. Application of Viscoplastic Models in the Finite Element Analyses of Structural Engineering Problems. **Computational Mechanics '92.** (Editors: Atluri et al.)
23. Life Assessment of Structural Components Using Inelastic Finite Element Analyses. **Proceedings of the Workshop on Computational Methods for Failure Analysis and Life Prediction.** NASA-Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia, 1992.
24. Structurally-Compliant Rocket Engine Combustion Chamber - *Experimental/Analytical Validation.* NASA TP-3431, 1993.
25. Finite Element Analysis of Structural Engineering Problems Using a Viscoplastic Model Incorporating Two Back Stresses. **Proceedings of Int. Seminar on Inelastic Analysis, Fracture and Life Prediction, Paris, France, 1993** and NASA TM-106046, 1993.
26. Large Displacement Structural Durability Analyses of Simple Bend Specimen Emulating Rocket Nozzle Liners. **NASA TM 106521, June 1994.**
27. Efficient and Accurate Explicit Time-Integration Algorithms with Application to Viscoplastic Models. **NASA CR 195342, August 1994.**
28. Kinetics of Oxidation and Cracking and Finite Element Analyses of MA 956 and MA 956/Sapphire Composite System. Part I - Experimental. **NASA-HITEMP Proceedings, 1994.**
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